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Protecting the Harbour City: SEAMOR's long-standing relationship with the Nanaimo Port Authority

Having purchased their ROV in 2007, the **Nanaimo Port Authority** was one of the first and longest ongoing users of the **Steelhead** system. Seven years later, their system is still **going strong** and continues to be a **key tool** for protecting, and controlling the harbour.

The Nanaimo Port Authority chose locally-based technology built by **SEAMOR Marine Ltd.** knowing that the Steelhead system's features would **meet their numerous needs**. Manager of Marine Operations and Harbour Master, Andrew Pitcher noted at the time of commissioning that the **SEAMOR ROV** would be equally useful for its primary purpose of **security** as it would be for other routine **inspections**, **surveying** and **environmental assessments**.

The **dual cameras** and ability to **record real-time video** with the Steelhead provides operators with **excellent views** and the ability to review video or share it with others. Its **compact size** and **great maneuverability** allows users to navigate it into **tight spots** or amongst **crowded environments** such as boat docks.

Harbour Master Pitcher noted that, "If we've had a threat against a ship or the dock or a facility we've got in the harbour, we can take a look in the water, at the ship structure or the pilings... rather than waiting for bomb disposal divers from Esquimalt to come up [over 90-minutes away], we can deploy this and take a look ourselves." Having access to an ROV provides the Port Authority the ability to quickly inspect possible security threats independently **without putting a diver or other personnel at risk**.

These **port security** needs are not exclusive to Nanaimo– **SEAMOR** systems are used at several other ports **around the world**, helping to **keep waterfront communities safe**.